DORY FISHERMENS' FLEET

It is a general policy of the City of Newport Beach that an area immediately west of the Newport Pier be reserved for the Newport Dory Fishermens' Fleet. The dory fishing fleet, founded in 1891, is a historical landmark designated by the Newport Beach Historical Society.

The City Council, in developing an official position with respect to the dory fishing fleet, has examined and evaluated the following:

- A. The historical significance and relative size of the fishing fleet;
- B. The desirability of preserving a small area of public beach for commercial dory fishing fleet activity, primarily for catching and selling fish; and
- C. The responsibility of the City to protect the health, safety and welfare of beach users and swimmers in the vicinity of the dory fleet.

After considering these factors, the Newport Beach City Council has adopted policy provisions concerning the Dory Fishermens' Fleet operations.

- A. The dory fishing fleet zone is delineated by pilings erected by the City and is reserved for full time Dory Fishermen who derive their livelihood from commercial fishing. Dory Fishermen are required to maintain a current commercial fishing license.
- B. Dory Fishermen will have a current City business license.
- C. Dory fishing vessels allowed to be launched and stored on the public beach will be a traditional dory design vessel.
- D. The dory fishing fleet zone is not to be used as a launching facility for itinerant commercial or sport fishing enterprises.
- E. The use of vehicles to launch and retrieve boats during the summer months and weekends in the spring and fall when beach use is heavy, will be restricted to the hours before 11:00 a.m. and after 6:00 p.m. Vehicles and trailers used by the dory fleet will be parked in a location and manner prescribed by the Fire Department.

- F. The dory fishing fleet will be responsible for cleanup and maintenance of the designated dory fleet zone.
- G. The City will furnish two water hose bib outlets to be shared by the Dory Fishermen. Electricity will consist of one light switch and one plug switch per shed, with the monthly costs prorated amongst the shed assignees.
- H. The dory sheds permitted within the designated boundaries are to be used by the Dory Fishermen only for the storage of equipment and supplies and are not to be used for temporary or permanent housing occupancy.
- I. There shall be a maximum of 20 dory storage sheds no larger than 10' by 10', with roof ridge heights not to exceed 9 feet. The size, type of construction and architectural style shall be developed with input from the dory fleet.
- J. The Dory Fishermen will abide by all City ordinances and California Boating Laws in the operation of their vessels near the beach and surf zone where there are swimmers and surfers. Dory vessels will ingress and egress immediately ocean ward of their designated beach zone.
- K. The dory fishing fleet may designate a spokesperson to represent their concerns and will meet with appropriate City department(s), as designated by the City Manager to resolve conflicts of use and safety problems.

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